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THE ADDRESS IS '42ND STREET'--Cast members rehearse "42nd Street," the spring musical which opens next Thursday for a three-day run. Tickets are on sale for all three shows in Wise Cultural Arts Center box office from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Tickets cost \$4 for adults, \$3 for students other than TJC and \$1 for senior citizens, children under 12 and TJC students. "Tickets should be purchased at least 30 minutes in advance," Kim Miller said. Any remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

Candidates meet in campus forum

by Mantequilla Green
page editor

Candidates Bob Glaze, Amy Glenn, Ted Kamel and Lance Lenz told a campus audience last week why they are running for state representative. The Candidates appeared at a forum sponsored by the Faculty Senate.

"I am tired of taxes being raised," Lenz said. "The school and education arrangements are not pleasing. I think the school districts need to be run by the districts."

Lenz opposes incumbent Bob Glaze for state representative of District 5 in a November election.

"I have been trying to build up the community and not tear it down," State Representative Ted Kamel said. He is being challenged by part-time government instructor Amy Glenn for state representation of District 6 in the March 10 Republican primary.

"My first priority is public education," Glenn said.

"My grandfather served as a city father. I was taught to tell the truth, listen and stand up for what's right," Kamel said.

"People in Austin do neither things. Freshman representatives are told to shut up. I did not. I made a lot of enemies and they do not want me to return," Kamel, who is in his first

term, said during the forum.

"I think that we have a dishonest representative and too many ineffective legislative interventions," Glenn said. She teaches at both The University of Texas at Tyler and here.

"I want to plan a better legal funding program. I have studied the cut-off point. We have 750 schools that are too small to offer economic scale. We are paying too much money for these schools," Glenn said.

"I would also like to promote higher education at UTT and TJC," she said. "I would like to facilitate easier movement from TJC to UTT. I would like to make better health care reforms."

In response to an audience question, they discussed abortion.

"I oppose abortion," Lenz said, "I support a law such as the one in Louisiana or that abortion can completely be outlawed," he said.

"I oppose abortion," Kamel said. "Abortion is killing another human being and should have parental consent under any circumstances."

"The government does not need to mess with any personal beliefs," Glenn said. "Whatever a woman prefers as far as her body is concerned should be between her and her God."

"I consider myself an anti-abortionist," Glaze said.

Graybill to lead Fuentes session Friday

Latin American novelist Carlos Fuentes will be on campus March 30 for two functions.

"Literature is not limited by geographical boundaries," said Foreign Language Instructor Dr. Elaine Graybill.

"All literature deals with the universal

problems of the human experience. Reading works by authors from other countries causes us to examine their cultural values and to look critically at our own."

Graybill will lead a session on Fuentes and Mexico at 3 p.m. Friday in the African

Room. It is free and open to the public

Selected English classes are reading "Aura" or "Chac Mool," and will participate in a closed discussion hour at noon. The second function, Fuentes' speech, is open to the public by tickets only beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets

are available in the student development office in Rogers Student Center.

"Carlos Fuentes is the Latin Americans response to the voyage of Columbus to the Americas 500 years ago," Foreign Language Director John Hayes said.

Touchstone enters layout phase

The judges have finished screening entries for the sixth annual TJC Touchstone. Entries showed varied understandings of the theme "Passages."

Students in Journalism 223 are beginning to design the magazine. It will then be printed and is scheduled to be available after April 28.

The theme for next year will be published in this year's issue, so students can get a headstart on submitting entries, English Instructor Gloria Peggram said.

Editor Jeremy Coe worked with nine other students Feb. 11 to 14 reading and scoring the anonymous entries, Peggram said. Readers are: Lisa Camp, Michael Chapman, Melanie Dobbs, Emmitte Hall, Matt Lehmann, Jib Mobley, Hazel Murphy, Darlene Pinkerton and Andrew Riley.

Each entry was issued a number. That's how they were identified throughout the judging, Peggram said.

The entrants, whose work are to be published, will receive letters inviting them to the Honors Day on April 28, where they will receive the first copies of the magazine, Peggram said.

Pig kisser ranks increase to 56

Phi Theta Kappa contest heats up at ballot box

by Mantequilla Green
page editor

At least 56 faculty members signed up to participate in the Kiss-A-Pig contest.

Ballotting will take place through March 13 in Rogers Student Center, Phi Theta Kappa Adviser Judy Turman said.

The potential kissers are: Johnny Abbey, Jo Ann Atkins, James Barnes, Gigi Beaton, Gene Branum, Paula Buck, Beverly Bugay, Steve Burket, Noamie Byrum, Jamie Carter, Judy Caswell, Mary Chartier, Dayna Cooper, Ken Craver and Linda Cross.

Others are: Bill Crowe, Pat Cryer, Carol Cushman, Rick Diamond, Ruth Flynn, Rebecca Foster, James Gill, Elaine Graybill, John Hays, Marguerite Hewitt, James Hill, Lynnette Hobbs, Faye Huckabay, Jeanne Ivy and Charles Johnson.

More brave faculty are: Susie Johnston, Peter Jones, Gary Jordan, Gene Kirkpatrick, Jay LaGregs, Alisa Lewis, Dennis Mayfield, Molly McCoy, Sally McMillan, Amy Miller, Frankie Muffoletto, Scott Nalley, Rhey Nolan, Ashton Oravetz and Judy Parks.

Also volunteering are: Gloria

Peggram, Larry Pilgrim, Cheryl Rogers, Rollie Schick, Vic Siller, Mickey Slimp, Judy Turman, Clarence Strickland, Deborah Welch, Audrey Woods and Linda Zeigler.

"Anyone associated with TJC may participate," Turman said. The official pig kissing will occur March 17 in front of Rogers Student Center.

Students will vote with money for the teacher they want to win. A PTK member will record the amount next to the teacher's name.

"The teacher receiving the most money will kiss a cute live pig," Turman said.

Buying Japanese causes U. S. economic problems

This week General Motors, one of the largest companies in the country, announced that it lost \$4.5 billion. That is billion with a 'b'. Subsequently, GM has announced that it will close 12 plants nationwide in an effort to save money. This move will cost 16,000 Americans their jobs. Those 16,000 families will lose their livelihoods. The long and short term effects that this will have on the country promise to be devastating.

Luckily for this area the GM plant in Arlington was not one of the plants scheduled to be closed.

This is just the latest chapter in the increasingly tragic story of the American economy. Everyone seems to have different ideas about who is the author of this tragedy.

The Democrats say it is the fault of the Republicans. If the Republicans had spent as much time and energy on the economic problems at home, they say, as they did on worldwide military posturing, our economic problems would have been over long ago.

Maybe they have a point. It does seem that whenever the people ask for more money for education or social programs to help the poor they are told there is not enough money. But when we find a war to fight, we seem to have the fattest wallet on the planet.

The Republicans say it is the fault of the Democrats and their tax-and-spend economic policy. Perhaps they have a point as well. The Congress does not run as it should. It's a game played by insiders, a game called "If you scratch my back, I'll scratch yours." Deals are made in backrooms and hallways where legislators swap political favors to get pet projects in their own congressional districts passed. For instance they approve having a few million dollars allocated so that someone can study the effects of drinking water on people who are thirsty or something equally as important. Very little legislation is actually decided in open debate on the floor. Newcomers to Washington soon find out that to get along, you have to go along.

Many people, including the Japanese executives, blame it on American workers, saying they are lazy and uneducated. Though individual exceptions may exist, the American work force as a whole is not lazy. They may not have the fanatical devotion to their company that Japanese workers have, but that is understandable.

We are a completely different culture from the Japanese. We work to live and have a decent way of life, a decent standard of living. We don't live to work and devote most of our waking hours to a factory or company instead of to our families.

Nor are American companies as devoted to their employees as Japanese companies are. You don't see Japanese companies closing down their factories and moving them to the third world because the labor is cheaper. And if it's true the American worker is not being as well educated as Japanese workers, whose fault is that?

If we buy American-made products whenever possible and encourage our friends and family to do the same, it cannot possibly hurt the economy. It might even help. A bumper sticker seen outside a closed GM plant reads, "Kindly park your Japanese car in Japan."

Tyler Junior College News

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Abuse victims can end vicious cycle

by Darlene Pinkerton
staff writer

Kevin* and Karen* were the perfect couple. All through high school and their freshman year of college they dated. Everyone who saw them together was sure one day they would get married. But underneath the smiles and laughter, Karen hid a dark secret about their relationship—Kevin's abuse.

"It started out with him (Kevin) getting mad at me for little things. If we ever had a disagreement about something, he would just blow up and want to fight about it," Karen said.

She told how one night he hit her because of a dress she wore to a party. Many times she would go to school with blackened eyes and bruises, but no one suspected Kevin.

Why does the abuse happen? Why do women find themselves staying in abusive relationships?

Many men grew up in violent homes and witnessed family violence or were abuse victims themselves. As they get older, they find themselves in the same situations, but instead of being the victim, they are the abuser, according to "About Wife Abuse," a Scriptographic booklet.

A poor self-image, lack of communication and a stereotypical view of women also cause abusive relationships. Abusers may seem like "nice average guys," but many times they have hidden emotional disturbances.

For both men and women,

abuse in the past runs deep. Most women who find themselves in abusive relationships have also experienced it sometime in their childhoods.

"Many girls grow up in an environment where all they see is the abuse, whether dad hits mom or whatever, but they think that everyone lives that way," Health Services Director Zelda Boucher said.

Vulnerability is a reason some women who come from an ideal family might be a part of an abusive relationship.

"Some girls come from small towns and close families where there is a strong support system, but when they go off to college, their support system isn't there, making them more vulnerable for an abusive relationship," Counselor Kenneth Luke said.

Many women stay in the relationship because they fear what the abuser might do to them. She might have a low self-esteem because she believes she is worthless and totally dependent on the abuser. Despite the abuse, often she still loves him and believes one day he will change.

"I can't say I've observed it (abuse), but I've seen the results," Boucher said. When many women come in for a flu shot or other routine care, she often notices bruises and handmarks. Blackened eyes, handmarks and bruises on the chin are some signs of physical abuse.

The first step in overcoming

abuse is realizing that love for self must come first and that no one deserves to be abused. Most important, the abused must get out of the relationship and seek counseling.

"They must be determined to get out of the relationship, but realize that they can't do it alone," Boucher said.

Several low-cost professional support systems are available.

Counselors John Baker and Luke offer confidential personal counseling for both abusers and abused. Their phone numbers are 510-2495 or 510-2496.

The East Texas Crisis Center has many support groups for those seeking help. The number is 595-3199, or the hotline number is 595-5591.

"Whether they choose to see us or not, they should see someone because their situation can change," Baker said.

Most batterers have a behavioral pattern that has been described as a cycle of violence. This cycle has three phrases:

Phase one: increased tension, anger and arguing.

Phase two: battering, hitting, slapping, kicking, choking, use of objects or weapons, sexual abuse, verbal threats and abuse.

Phase three: calm stage, man denies violence, says he was drunk, says he's sorry and promises it will never happen again.

*names have been changed.

Country artists thrill Oil Palace crowd

The stream of lights leading to the Oil Palace Saturday seemed endless. On cars words such as "Reba," "Rumor Has It," "Sawyer Brown," "Dirt Road," were written across the back glass.

Fans seemed anxious to get to their seats and see the performers, Brooks and Dunn, Sawyer Brown, and McEntire.

The lights went down, Brooks and Dunn appeared and the crowd warmed up to them quickly, even though their tunes are fairly new and not well known.

"Brooks and Dunn are fairly new, but their performance was very good, professional," KNUE DJ Amy Austin said.

Other spectators said they missed Brooks and Dunn due to the crowded parking situation.

Sawyer Brown jumped into their energetic performance with lead singer Mark Miller working that stage like a piece of art, bouncing

from one end to the other. Their hit "I'll Take the Dirt Road" had the crowd on their feet. "Betty's Being Bad" and "The Race Is On" seemed to have the entire auditorium rocking to the beat. Women of all ages went wild over this sassy performance.

"Sawyer Brown put on a wonderful, wonderful, can't say it enough, wonderful upbeat country-pop performance. Mark Miller dazzled the audience," Austin said.

"Sawyer Brown captivated the Oil Palace. We were under their spell. They gave an inspirational performance," TJC student Lori York said.

The audience was quiet as the lights dimmed.

"Reba, Reba, Reba," the crowd chanted. Blue triangles formed on the large screen behind the nine-member band dressed in black. The thunder of the instruments rose and calmed as Reba's

southern voice rolled over the crowd.

Soft, big, red hair flowing, she acknowledged all angles of the audience as her costumes showed off her tiny figure. McEntire's energetic performance of R.E.S.P.E.C.T. was strong.

She talked about growing up in Oklahoma and performing in the rodeo circuit.

McEntire is always great to watch because she is a well respected woman who puts her heart and soul in her music.

"Reba performed a Las Vegas type show. She changed three times into gorgeous costumes. She was charming, polite, nice to meet after the show," Austin said.

"I enjoyed Reba's show, but she was a lot better the first time I saw her," York said.

"Overall the concert was well organized. It flowed smooth with a good full house," Austin said.

Shamrock sales to benefit Muscular Dystrophy

Merchants, convenience stores and schools in Tyler, Longview and surrounding area are asking customers to "Buy a Shamrock" for a \$1 contribution to Muscular Dystrophy Association. The patron's name is placed on the shamrock which will be displayed until St. Patrick's Day.

"The area merchants' support of this program is critical to our work and we applaud their participation," Nell Fuentes, MDA executive committee chapter president, said.

Shamrocks Against Dystrophy will

directly benefit over 300 patients in East Texas affected by one of the 40 neuromuscular diseases.

Proceeds will provide a monthly clinic at Mother Frances Hospital, support groups, therapy, orthopedic equipment, genetic counseling and summer camp for children.

For participating merchants and groups contact MDA at 2111 Lindbergh or call (903) 534-2984.

Leader seeks jazz players

Jazz Band Director Gary Jordan is looking for students interested in the Jazz Band. Jordan said he needs someone with

experience in piano, bass and drums. He is also looking for one vocalist.

Anyone who wants to try out should contact Jordan at 510-2242 or in HPE159 (basement).

LeTourneau opens contest to designers, inventors

College students may enter the Seventh Annual LeTourneau University Inventational Invention and Design Contest, Dr. H. Glenn Sumrall, Letourneau University vice President said.

The contest has of five divisions: adult,

senior college, junior college, high school and middle school.

Each entry will be judged and rated on: most potentially beneficial to society, 30 points; most innovative design, 25 points; most potentially profitable, 20 points; most effectively displayed, 15 points and most artistically pleasing design, 10 points.

The competition promises to be more exciting than ever with a total prize value of \$2,000, contest spokesperson John Martin said. First place will receive \$200, second, \$10; third, \$50 and two honorable mentions of \$25 in each division. A grand prize winner will be selected from the individual winners and will be judged best of show.

Contest winners will be announced and prizes granted at an Awards Reception from 4 to 5 p.m. April 24.

Entries can be submitted until April 20 in the Office of University Relations. No fees are charged. For further information contact Martin at (903) 753-0231, ext. 369. or write, P.O. Box 7001, Longview, TX 75607-7001.

Tyler organizations need student volunteers to help

Tyler community organizations need student volunteers.

More than 60 percent of students taking psychology or sociology classes do volunteer work for part of their grades, Psychology Instructor Chris Smith said. Many other opportunities exist for other students to help.

"Many students continue to do volunteer work after finishing my courses," Smith said.

Volunteering can be an asset to the volunteer, Smith said. Both in personal pride and when seeking a job. Many employers like to see volunteer work on resumes.

Volunteers are helpful to the organizations who use them because these groups usually do not have funds to pay workers. Volunteers allow them to provide better service.

"I have a directory with several organization that may need volunteers," Smith said.

Although Smith will provide students with some help, he does not make the actual placement.

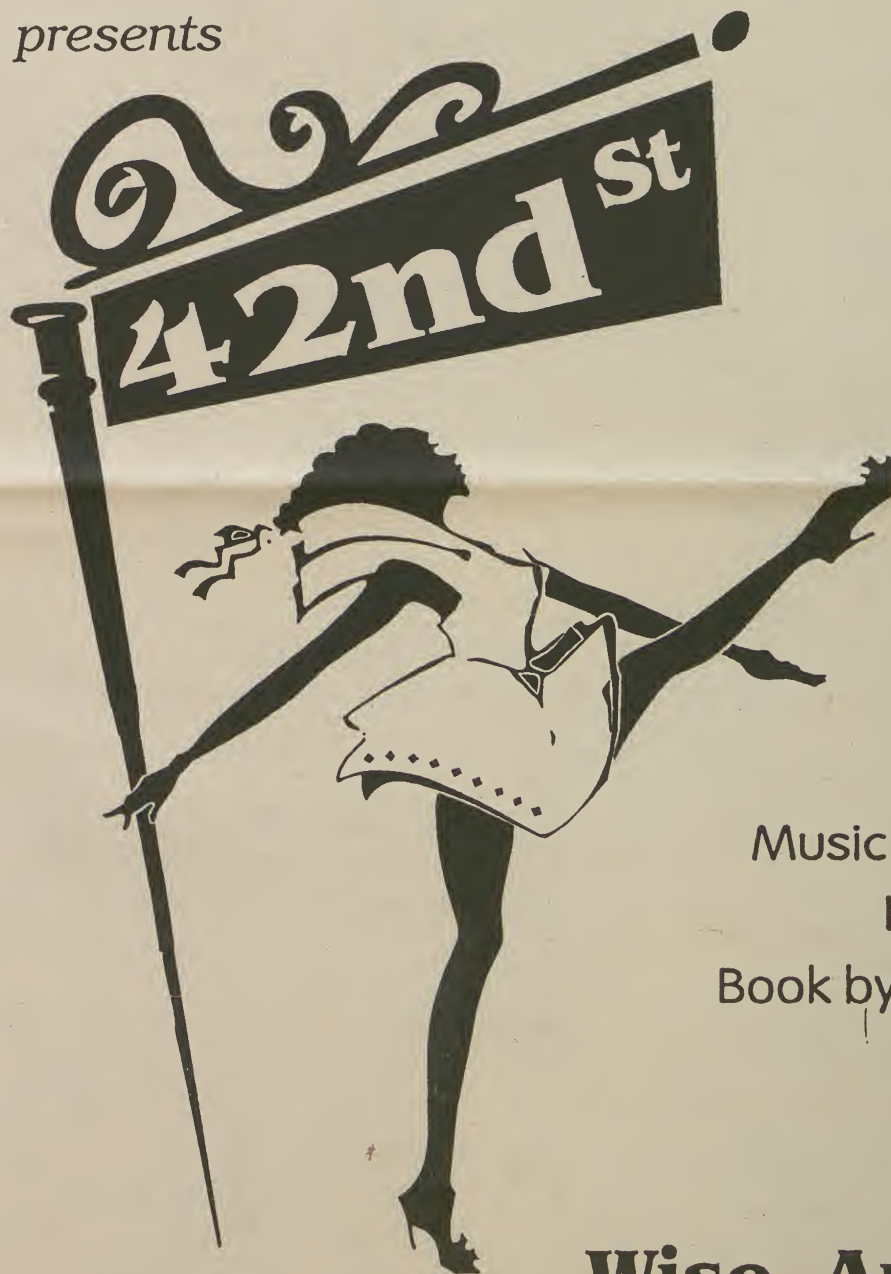
Therapists score high State Board Exam

Ninety-seven percent of the technician level class of Respiratory Therapy passed the National Board for Respiratory Care Entry Level Examination.

Respiratory Therapy Director Paul Weskamp said 88 percent of the 31 students from TJC scored in the 80th percentile, 60 percent scored above the 85th percentile and 22 percent scored above the 90th percentile.

The average exam score of the group was 111 percent of the mean national score for technician level graduates and 107 percent of the mean national score for therapist level graduates, Weskamp said.

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Instructor seeks Republican nomination

By Wayne Carter
Editor

Amy Glenn is known to students at TJC and at The University of Texas at Tyler as a government teacher. As a Republican candidate for state representative, she is seeking a position as a government leader.

Glenn said she had not planned to run for office, but Gene Shull, who had earlier announced his candidacy for state representative, decided to run for state senate. Shull's decision left no one to run against Republican incumbent Ted Kamel, who Glenn does not believe has performed well during his stay in office.

After an unsuccessful search for another candidate, Glenn decided to throw her hat into the ring.

"We were beating the bushes for a candidate and it came down to me," she said.

Glenn's reluctance to run for office had nothing to do with a lack of confidence. She said she has a good job which she enjoys, a home and a child. She does not have big political aspirations but believes she is well qualified to serve the citizens of the district.

"I've been married, divorced and I have a child. I've worked since I was 14 in business, public schools and higher education. I served four years in the Marines. I know politics, especially Republican, inside and out. I know the legislatures and lobbyists and how they work. I also know and understand the issues," she said.

The issues are what Glenn believes politics should be about. "I have a position on just about anything," she said.

Glenn's biggest concerns are honesty, legislative leadership and keeping government out of business and private life.

Kamel has not been completely honest with his constituents during his term in office, Glenn said. He has done many things that the people he represents do not know about, including supporting a liberalized liquor sales bill that would have allowed fast food establishments to sell beer. Glenn said she has no problem with that in and of itself, but the people of Smith County have clearly demonstrated that they do not support liberal liquor sales laws.

Kamel also sponsored a bill that would have divided the TJC district into smaller districts and changed the way the TJC board of trustees is elected.

Under the current system, anyone in the district can run for a seat on the board and everyone in the district gets to vote on every seat. If Kamel's bill had passed, each of the new, smaller districts within the TJC dis-

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trict would have had its own representative. The people in each district would only be able to vote for one seat on the board.

Glenn finds nothing wrong with single-member districts, but the current system has been in place since the college's founding and there have been no problems with it. Kamel took action without consulting anyone closely involved with the school, Glenn said.

On top of everything, the bill, which was meant only to affect TJC, would have changed Kilgore College's board member election system as well, Glenn said.

Kamel's leadership is also questionable because he seems to lack a grasp of what is important, Glenn said.

Kamel killed a DWI bill with an amendment he tacked on and has worked very hard to save an old law which makes sodomy illegal, Glenn said.

"Ted has spent a lot of time trying to save the sodomy law when he could have been working on more important things," she said.

Of government involvement in private life, Glenn said, "The government bungles everything they touch, so why have them in our private lives?"

Glenn said she would like to spend some time working on the economy, even though, surprisingly, the economy is not at the top of her list of issues for East Texans.

Glenn also would like to work on court reform, medical costs, auto insurance rates and dealing with criminals. Governor Ann Richards is "on the right track" with auto insurance rates, but nothing has gone anywhere yet, Glenn said.

The current jail overcrowding problem could be resolved by building more prisons or using abandoned military bases, Glenn said. A better solution for the future, she added, is a better education system.

"I think if we can give our kids a good education in elementary, junior high and high school, we can prevent a lot of crime. We need to look 20, 30 even 40 years down the

road, rather than just to the immediate future as we have done in the past," Glenn said.

Her experience as a teacher and a mother would be an advantage in dealing with education issues, she said.

"I know schools from both parental and administrative standpoints," Glenn said.

Glenn readily admits that she is not an expert on all the issues, but said that she has an excellent support team. "I may not know it all," Glenn said, "but I'm a real quick study."

There is a touch of irony in Glenn's candidacy. In 1976, her father, Frank Glenn, found himself in a similar situation. The local Republican contingent, seeking a candidate to run against Democratic incumbent Ray Roberts for U.S. Senate and finding no takers, asked Glenn to run.

He was, as his daughter is now, settled with a home and family. But, she said, he threw himself into the campaign full-force. He stuck to the issues and refused to get into a mud-slinging competition. He lost the race, but stood up for what he believed in.

Glenn said her father taught by example how important it is to stand for what you believe in and get involved. The lesson was not lost on her.

"I see so much of myself in him," she said. "We do disagree on a lot, but that underlying philosophy of what politics ought to be came from him."

Glenn, like her father, plans to stick to the issues despite efforts from her opponent's supporters to turn the campaign into an ugly affair.

Since announcing her candidacy, she has received a phone call from Kamel reprimanding her for running against him, she said. She has received death threats. She has been accused of marrying an illegal alien and has heard claims that her child was born out of wedlock.

"While I'm talking issues, they're slinging mud," Glenn said.

and forthright, and if the voter's don't want that, OK."

The task of winning the election is a tough one, Glenn said, but she likes her chances.

"I really do think we've got a good chance to win," Glenn said, "but we're fighting an uphill battle against an incumbent."

If elected, Glenn said she would like to serve at least two terms and possibly as many as six.

"I'd stay more than one term. You can't get anything done in one term," Glenn said.

Glenn's candidacy came as something of a surprise to her opponent. But no one else, however, was as surprised as Glenn herself.

"Six months ago, I said I'd never run for Austin," Glenn said.

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Adoption can solve tough problems

They match unwanted pregnancies, childless couples to create families

By Monica Bruno
editor

Many young women experience unwanted pregnancies. But, in an ironic other side of the issue, many women cannot conceive and bear children for one reason or another. They must adopt to have a family.

Wesley and Jena Gass adopted two girls, both at birth. Ashley is 7 and Anna is 20 months.

"So many young couples can't have babies and are just waiting for a child," Diane Knowles of Lutheran Social Services of Texas, Inc., said.

In 1926, the Lutheran Aid and Orphan's Society was established to provide care for needy children and adults. Since then, the Society continued to add services. In 1970, the Board of Directors changed the name to Lutheran Social Service of Texas to better reflect the many facets of service the agency provides.

We called all the agencies in Texas, but LSST gave the best encouragement, Jena Gass said.

"We decided to use an agency as a 'go between' and to protect our

'Anyone can have an unplanned pregnancy and I really admire and respect the birth mothers,' Gass said. 'For someone to put their child's needs before their own takes a lot of love.'

legal rights," she said. "They also offered great education programs, which we found very informative."

Agencies know more about adoption and the process so we just followed along and signed the papers, she said.

"There is a lot of paper work involved and at times it can be frustrating, but it can also be exciting," Gass said. "All the steps are like pieces of a puzzle. You don't see the puzzle completed until you have your baby."

"As of 1991, on a statewide level, LSST placed over 43,000 babies for adoption, Knowles said.

Some of the major steps we went through, Gass said, include: calling

the agency, finding out if your eligible which includes age, fertility (for an Anglo child) and no more than one other child in the household and calling for pre-adoption interview.

"Of all the people they (LSST) talk to, they choose so many and invite them into the program," she said.

"We look for a variety," Knowles said. "We want families from different religions, incomes and professions."

"After we were invited into the program, we attended different seminars to learn what our child might experience from being adopted and some questions they might have," Gass said. "Diane also came and did a home visit."

And then after we are approved, we write our "Dear Birth Mother" letters, she said.

"This allows the birth mothers know about them, their lifestyles, why they want to adopt and more personal

information," Knowles said.

"When they called to tell us we had a baby, it was so exciting, I can't put it into words, just the most exciting feeling we've ever had," Gass said.

With our first child we adopted, Ashley, it was painful because her birth mother really had a hard time letting go, Gass said. We felt guilty because we were so happy at someone else's expense, but then joyous at the same time.

With our second child, Anna, the situation was different, she said. The birth mother was at a very young age and her mother was with her.

We educate our children about the adoption along the way, she said. We are really open about everything.

We hope to keep in touch with our children's biological parents, so when they get older if they want to see then they can, Gass said.

Meeting the birth mothers helped. It lets you place their face and you're not so scared of them coming back and taking the baby, she said.

LSST is the statewide social service agency of the Lutheran Churches in Texas—the Lutheran Church in Missouri Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. It is the only church-related, statewide social service agency in Texas. Annually, LSST spends more than \$10 million in providing services.

The East Texas office of LSST is located in Tyler to serve Northeast Texas counties. Knowles phone number is 561-3096.

The office provides unplanned pregnancy and adoption counseling to women considering adoption for their child, couples who would like to become adoptive parents and families who would like to open their homes for foster care.

"We will work with anyone," Knowles said. "We are really flexible."

"Anyone can have an unplanned pregnancy and I really admire and respect the birth mothers," Gass said. "For someone to put their child's needs before their own takes a lot of love."

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Apache Band, Belles perform in Fort Worth

The Apache Band and Belles performed Friday for the City of Fort Worth Employees Credit Union annual convention, Band Director Gary Jordan said.

The jazz band will play "Juan of These Days," "In The Mood" and "God Bless The USA" and pop tunes such as "Rush, Rush" and "Love Is a Wonderful Thing".

The two groups entertained with a Texas theme to: "Liberty Fanfare,"

"Deep in the Heart of Texas," "Texas our Texas" and "God Bless America Finale."

The Belles performed to "Deep in the Heart of Texas" and did kick, pom-pom and jazz routines.

The Band also played the pop tunes "Boogie and Beethoven" and "Will It Go Round In Circles", to accompany the Belles and "Jump" for

feature twirler Tanya Cox.

Apache Belles Director Ruth Flynn said the performance went well and the Belles dance captains agreed.

Head Dance Captain Jenny Hunter said, "It was neat how the kids in the audience danced around while we performed. Maybe they will be future Apache Belles"

Other dance captains are: Allison Barnes, Carolyn Godwin, Angela Hearon and Hellie Lance.

Area businesses to donate canned food to Bank

Five area businesses will donate cans of food to the Regional East Texas Food Bank to be used in the local area, Project Manager Rosemary McClain said.

Several local chefs have been asked to turn the approximately 6,000 cans of food into works of art. From these cans they will make sculptures representing businesses which made donations.

The sculptures will be on display at Broadway Square Mall, March 29 through April 3. A ballot to pick

"people's choice" and the "critics' choice" awards is planned, McClain said.

The canned goods from this and other donations will benefit many Smith County agencies including PATH, the Salvation Army, churches and soup kitchens.

Beginning March 29, local grocery stores will set up food bins for donations through Easter, McClain said.

To make donations at any other time or for more information call 597-3663 or go to the F401 Robertson Rd.

Greek groups sponsor 'In Living Color' show

Chi Gamma Chi sorority and Gamma Chi Gamma fraternity sponsored their second annual production of "In Living Color" last week.

The show was a talent and fashion extravaganza of several acts from Tyler. Among these acts were models from Broadway Square Mall wearing the latest fashions from Margo's. TJC students also modeled popular cam-

pus fashions.

Several acts performed in the talent segment. Among these were: Alias, a rap group; Flex and an acappella artist, Appeal. The most popular was Dallas comedian Miguel Washington.

All funds raised were divided between the two sponsors.

Kimlicko uses computer to play '42nd Street' music

by Bonnie Calman
staff writer

Imagine hearing perfect music, produced by a computer. The audience at "42nd Street" will do just that.

With the use of an IBM computer and two sound modules, each containing 190 sample sounds, Music Instructor Frank Kimlicko is making it possible.

This system is being used to produce the orchestral sounds for the spring musical, "42nd Street" that has never been done here before.

The musical producers, Music/Dance Director Cheryl Rogers and Speech/Theater Instructor Clarence Strickland, expected Wise Auditorium to be under renovation this spring and planned to use Browne Theatre in the Wise Cultural Arts Center for the show, Kimlicko said.

That theater has no room for an orchestra, so they decided to use computer emulated sounds. They began recording computer music in September to be ready for rehearsal.

When Wise Auditorium renovation was postponed, the musical producers decided to go ahead and test the computer system, to see how it will be received by the audience.

High quality musical notes are recorded into the module. The computer enables the operator to select all the elements: notes, pitches, tempos, instruments, even volume. Music in commercials and some movies is often produced this way, Kimlicko said.

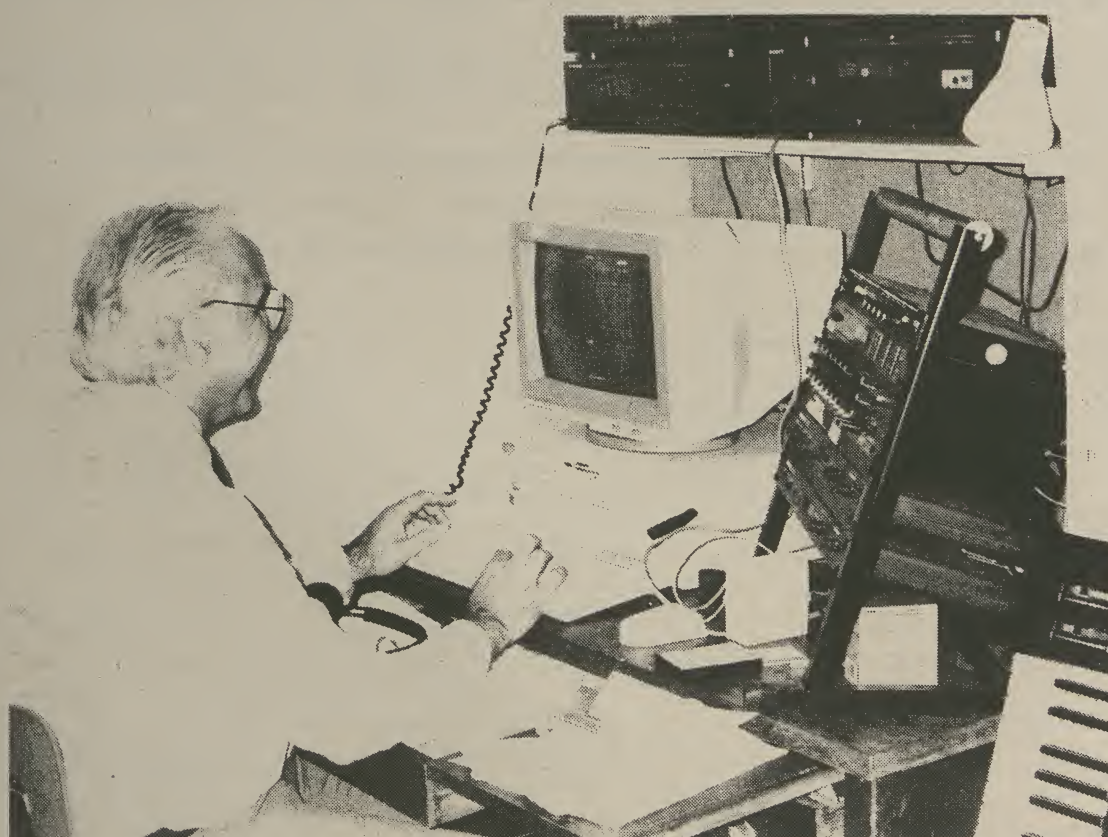


Photo by Bonnie Calman

PLAY IT AGAIN, FRANK--Music Instructor Frank Kimlicko works on computer-generated music for the spring production of "42nd Street" which opens Thursday.

The modules used to produce orchestral sounds have been in use approximately one and a half years. Pop and jazz sounds have been around for three years.

The computer uses sequencing software to make an actual sequence

of notes, determined by the operator. The computer can produce up to 32 simulated notes per module and can be used to record the notes, although a keyboard is more commonly used. Kimlicko uses the computer.

Although sequencing software

is available for almost any type of computer, it will not replace the human musician.

"The role of musicians will increase," Kimlicko said.

"The editing is very powerful," he said, so "the operator can do digital

editing and can record music on the hard drive and then edit the sounds, creating perfect music."

The operator must have a vast knowledge of acoustics in the space provided to play and have much instrument knowledge, Kimlicko said, as well as be able to read music, recognize notes and make corrections.

The computer operator relies on experience as a musician in order to create the proper sounds.

"It may become a popular trend," Kimlicko said.

Students can learn such technology in courses through the Learning Resources Center in Vaughn Library. The Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) Technology course uses the computer lab.

Kimlicko looks ahead in the future of musical technology and an applied sciences degree in MIDI in addition to what is already offered.

Using the computer may appear to be hard work and take a lot of time, Kimlicko said, but is actually a great advantage to everyone involved in the performance. For example, the choir and actors can rehearse with the actual music rather than the usual piano accompaniment.

The computer operator can make adjustments for the choir, stretching notes, changing pitch and tempo.

"It's very helpful, we are able to work with orchestral sounds as well as tempo," Choral Instructor Steve Nelms said.

Soviets face difficult problems ahead

by Monica Bruno
staff writer

The death grip of the world's mightiest socialist nation ended last fall. Dr. Victor Kremenjuk, deputy director of the Institute for Study of the United States and Canada, recently expressed cautious optimism about the fate of the former Soviet Union.

The Commonwealth of Independent States which replaced the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is composed of 11 of the 12 former Soviet republics. Potential problems facing former Soviet Union residents are numerous and difficult as they try to deal with democracy and a free market economy.

The newly formed Commonwealth can go two ways, Kremenjuk said.

First, if we concentrate our resources and get help, he said of his people, we have the chance to move to a new, democratically open nation and become a part of humankind.

"Our readiness to cooperate with everyone — businesses, tourists and researchers — is there," he said.

Or, it may be too late. Seventy-four years have exhausted both our

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resources and people and taught them not to think or speak, he said.

"The years of life have taught people to shut up and keep thoughts to themselves," Kremenjuk said.

Kremenjuk, who was born in Odessa, Russia, in 1941, was selected when he was 6 to be educated in English, French and Russian. His father, a Russian admiral, was killed in World War II.

Kremenjuk graduated in 1963 from the University of Moscow with a Ph.D in political science from the Moscow Institute of International Relations. Kremenjuk has specialized in international politics of the Soviet Union and United States, with emphasis on arms control and defense.

Old people, students and children are the ones who can not make their living on their own, he said.

Adults also suffer, but they are grown up and have to take their lives into their own hands.

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The government does not have any money and the society has a high rate of unemployment, something new to these people.

Economic efforts for a free market have begun and prices are free. As a result, prices have skyrocketed, and no new or reserve supplies are available. We need foreign assistance to bring prices down, Kremenjuk said, but so far it has not worked.

Further economic reform and improved relationships with the outside world are very serious, Kremenjuk said. He suggested three ways assistance can be delivered.

First, knowledge. No one knows what a market is. We need young people to study here and help show us how to set up a free market, he said.

Second, in the short term, before production is ignited, we need banks and stock exchanges, but without serious assistance from the West, it will be very difficult to achieve economic development.

Third and more serious is for the long term, we need small businesses as well as big corporations to come in.

"There is a big chance we will cease to be a threat to society and become an equal partner in our world," Kremenjuk said.

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33rd Azalea Trail to open March 21 for 3-week run

By Nicole Smith
staff writer

The 33rd Annual Tyler Azalea Trail will open March 21 for a three week run. The Trail is a seven-mile tour filled with colorful azaleas, dogwoods and other spring flower in Tyler gardens.

This year the activities are spread over three full weeks and four week-

ends in hopes of drawing 100,000 visitors to Tyler. Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce officials estimate the Trail will have an economic impact of more than \$6.5 million.

The first weekend of the trail, March 21-22, will feature the Rose City Chili Cookoff at the East Texas Fairgrounds on West Front Street.

The second weekend, March 27-29, will bring the Azalea Quilt Show

and the Kiwanis' Antique Show. Both will be at Harvey Convention Center.

The third weekend, April 3-5, features the 12th Annual Heritage On Tour. Tickets may be obtained at the ticket gazebo at Chilton and Eighth streets.

A Candlelight Tour and Party will require advance reservations. For more information on the Candlelight Tour call 595-1960.

Other April 4-5 events are:

The Beauty and the Beast Bicycle Tour and Criterium starting at the Harvey Convention Center.

A China Porcelain Exhibit at the Women's Building.

The East Texas Symphony free public performance at Bergfeld Park Amphitheater.

The fourth weekend, April 11-12, the Azalea 10-K and Fun Run will

begin at Bergfeld Park.

Other activities include an antique fair at the McClendon house and a Jazz Festival downtown on the square on April 11.

More information and literature will be available at the Information Center on the Courthouse Square Downtown on weekends. Weekdays information and brochures are available at the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce office, 407 N. Broadway or call 592-1661.

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Disney offers student rates for spring trips

TJC students can get a discount price for Spring Break at Disney World in Florida.

With a student identification, college students can spend a day at Disney's-MGM Studios Theme Park, the Magic Kingdom or Epcot Center for \$22 plus tax. That's \$11 less than regular admission, a Disney World spokesperson said.

Students may also purchase a two-day ticket for \$40 plus tax. The ticket provides admission to two parks of the student's choice on each of two days. This represents a \$26 savings compared to the price of two one-day, one-park admissions, according to Disney World publicity.

Disney World's 20th Anniversary includes such special events as the Surprise Celebration Parade, Catastrophe Canyon and Surprise in the skies.

Football team to lead ARC

The Apache Football Team will lead the Walk-a-Mile for a Special Child Walk beginning at 10 a.m. March 7 at Bergfeld Park. The 2.6 mile walk kicking off Mental Retardation Month is planned to increase public awareness of Association for Retarded Citizens activities.

"Each member of the TJC Football Team will walk with a retarded citizen," Head Coach Delton Wright said.

The entry fee is a \$10 donation. Pledges can be made and collected. These funds sponsor programs such as Special Olympics, Fun Lovers, Camp Heyday and education programs.

"This is a very positive attitude. The citizens look up to the football players and receive special recognition from them. The players learn that they can help special citizens," Wright said.

"We started this community effort last year. The community gives us so much support through the year, we like to give back," Wright said.

Apache coach, netters survive 'intense weekend'

The Apache men's and women's tennis teams had what Coach John Peterson described as an "intense weekend" Feb. 14-17 at the National Junior College Athletic Association and Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association Indoor Championships.

The tournament, originally scheduled in Midland, was moved to Lubbock at the last minute because of electrical problems at the original site. The men's and women's events were held at sites 25 minutes apart, which made it difficult for Peterson to coach.

"I tried to pick some important matches and be there for them," Peterson said. "This shows why it's difficult for one person to coach two teams."

The women went into the tournament ranked No. 5 in the nation.

"We were trying to make a statement that we were better than that," Peterson said. "I don't know if we did, but I still think we're better."

The bottom players had a strong tournament and maybe closed some

ground for the team in the rankings, Peterson said.

An upset came in the second round when TJC No. 1 Maribel Amadeo, coming off a win over Southern Methodist University's Claire Sessions, lost to Sharmin Siddeque, Cook Community College's No. 4 player.

"I thought if she played at the same level she played at Monday (Feb. 10, against SMU), she'd win the tournament," Peterson said.

Referring to the problem of having to pick certain matches to attend, Peterson said, "I thought she'd win (the match). If I'd been there maybe she'd have won."

The loss will keep Amadeo's singles ranking from climbing above her current No. 14, but, Peterson said, "She's a better player than her ranking."

Peterson was quick to point out that after the loss Amadeo picked up two wins in consolation, advancing to the semifinals.

None of the women advanced

past the second round of the main singles draw, but three, including Amadeo, advanced to the consolation semifinals. Priya Jayaraman reached the final, downing Amadeo in the semis.

"Priya would be the bright point for the girls," Peterson said. She had a win in the main draw to go with her appearance in the consolation final.

The women had good doubles results as Renna Rhodes and Debbie Poole, Elizabeth Ameel and Amadeo and Summer Ruckman and Kristi Benson advanced to the quarterfinals of the main draw before they were eliminated.

For the No. 1 ranked men, "Nobody had a bad tournament," Peterson said. "We got Jonas Lundblad to the semis in singles, Lundblad and Klint Graf to the semis in doubles and Vlad Kristic and Alberto Canzian to the doubles final."

Guillaume Gauthier, Kristic and Lundblad reached the quarterfinals in the main singles draw. Kristic fell in

three tough sets to Yann Auzouz of Temple Junior College.

Lundblad's trip to the semis came at Gauthier's expense. Lundblad dropped the first set, but went on to beat his teammate 4-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Canzian and Graf lost in the first round of the main singles draw, but Graf reached the quarterfinals and Canzian reached the semifinals in consolation.

Men's consolation was not completed because of time constraints, Peterson said.

All three doubles teams made it to quarterfinals, the top two advancing to semifinals.

"One of our concerns has been doubles, and that looks like the strength

of our team right now," Peterson said.

Gauthier and Corky Nix lost in quarterfinals to eventual champions David Draper and Toby Curtis of Midland Community College.

The tables were turned on Lundblad in doubles as he and Graf lost to fellow Apaches Kristic and Canzian 6-7, 6-4, 4-6 in semifinals.

"I realistically thought some of our guys had a shot to win (the tournament)," Peterson said. "Kristic is not playing his best tennis, but I think he turned it around this weekend," Peterson said.

"Kristic and Canzian played their best doubles of the year," Peterson said. "I think we'll be respectable by the end of the year."

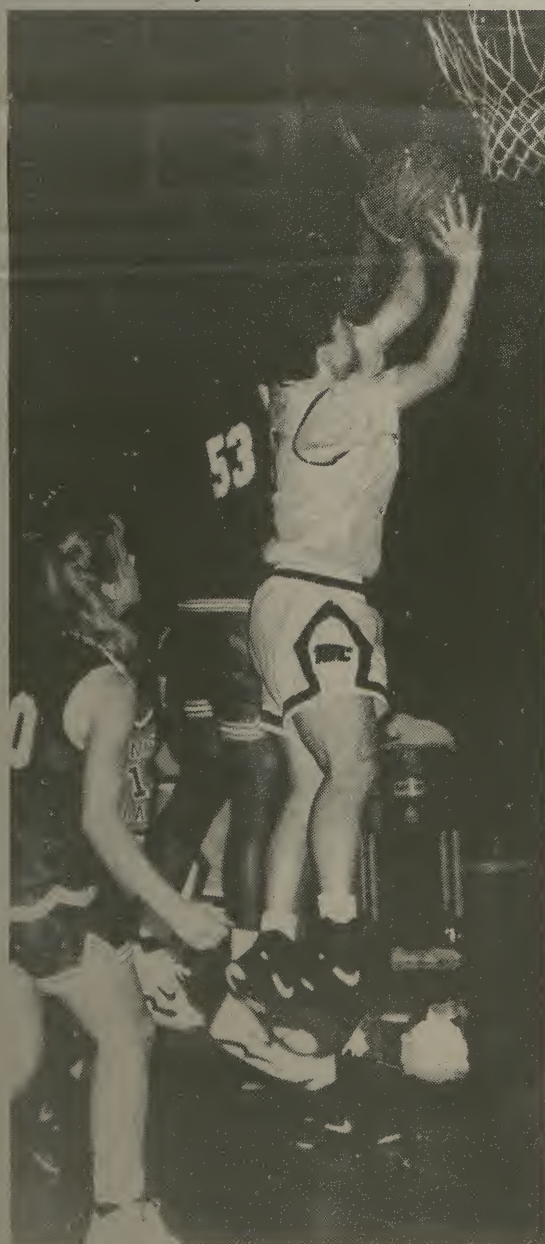


Photo by Kevin West
LADY'S LAYUP--Apache Lady Audra Hart adds a basket to the win over Panola College

Ladies top Panola, 75-70 Defense thwarts attack

The Apache Ladies Basketball Team beat Panola College 75-70 last Wednesday.

At the 10 minute mark, Monique McClelland sank a hook shot to put the Ladies up 23-17.

Four minutes late the Ladies added three consecutive lay-ups to pull ahead 33-23. They kept a sharp-shooting Panola team from pulling in close, and went into the half ahead, 44-33.

The women opened up the second half with a 12-7 run to increase their lead by five. With 8:30 remaining in the game, Panola cut the score of 61-52.

Panola was never a real threat until late in the game when they hit some late three-pointers.

The women played tough defense to hold off Panola's late run and win, 75-70.

High scorers for the game were McClelland and Audra Hart, who had 18 each.

Apaches blast Panola Second-half surge keys 80-64 win

Apache Men's Basketball Team, after the first half, had no trouble defeating Panola College 80-64 Feb. 18. At the six minute mark the score was 24-20. Russell Watson sank a three-pointer with two minutes to go to put the Apaches up by seven.

The Apaches went into the half ahead, 35-30.

With 14 minutes to go, Watson added two more three-pointers to make the score 45-39.

The Apaches tacked on an 8-0 run, and led big the rest of the way.

Sydney Vaughn was fouled with 2:42 left. He made one free throw to bring the score to 72-59. One minute later Chris Forman put in two free throws to ice the game at 80-64.

Looking back . . .

On Feb. 26, 1963 guard Bobby Carpenter and center Mickey White helped the Apaches to a 76-74 victory over Henderson County. The Apaches finished the season with a 14-12 record.

In this week in 1974 hot shooters Robert Owens and Vernon Evans and rebounders Stan Sligh and Milton Phillips led the Apaches to a 100-77 win over Navarro and a 99-85 win over Paris. The wins polished the Apaches' chances of making the North Zone Tournament held March 5-6.

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